



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 831

LCO No. 2480

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

***AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL LIABILITY FOR RECREATIONAL
ACTIVITIES ON CERTAIN OPEN SPACE LANDS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 52-557f of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 As used in sections 52-557f to 52-557i, inclusive:

4 (1) "Charge" means the admission price or fee asked in return for
5 invitation or permission to enter or go upon the land;

6 (2) "Land" means land, roads, water, watercourses, private ways
7 and buildings, structures, and machinery or equipment when attached
8 to the realty;

9 (3) "Owner" means the possessor of a fee interest, a tenant, lessee,
10 occupant or person in control of the premises, a municipality, political
11 subdivision of the state or nonprofit municipal corporation;

12 (4) "Recreational purpose" includes, but is not limited to, any of the
13 following, or any combination thereof: Hunting, fishing, swimming,

- 14 boating, camping, picnicking, hiking, pleasure driving, nature study,
15 water skiing, snow skiing, ice skating, sledding, hang gliding, sport
16 parachuting, hot air ballooning and viewing or enjoying historical,
17 archaeological, scenic or scientific sites.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	52-557f
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Statement of Purpose:

To encourage municipalities and other entities to keep open space lands open to the public for recreational purposes.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]